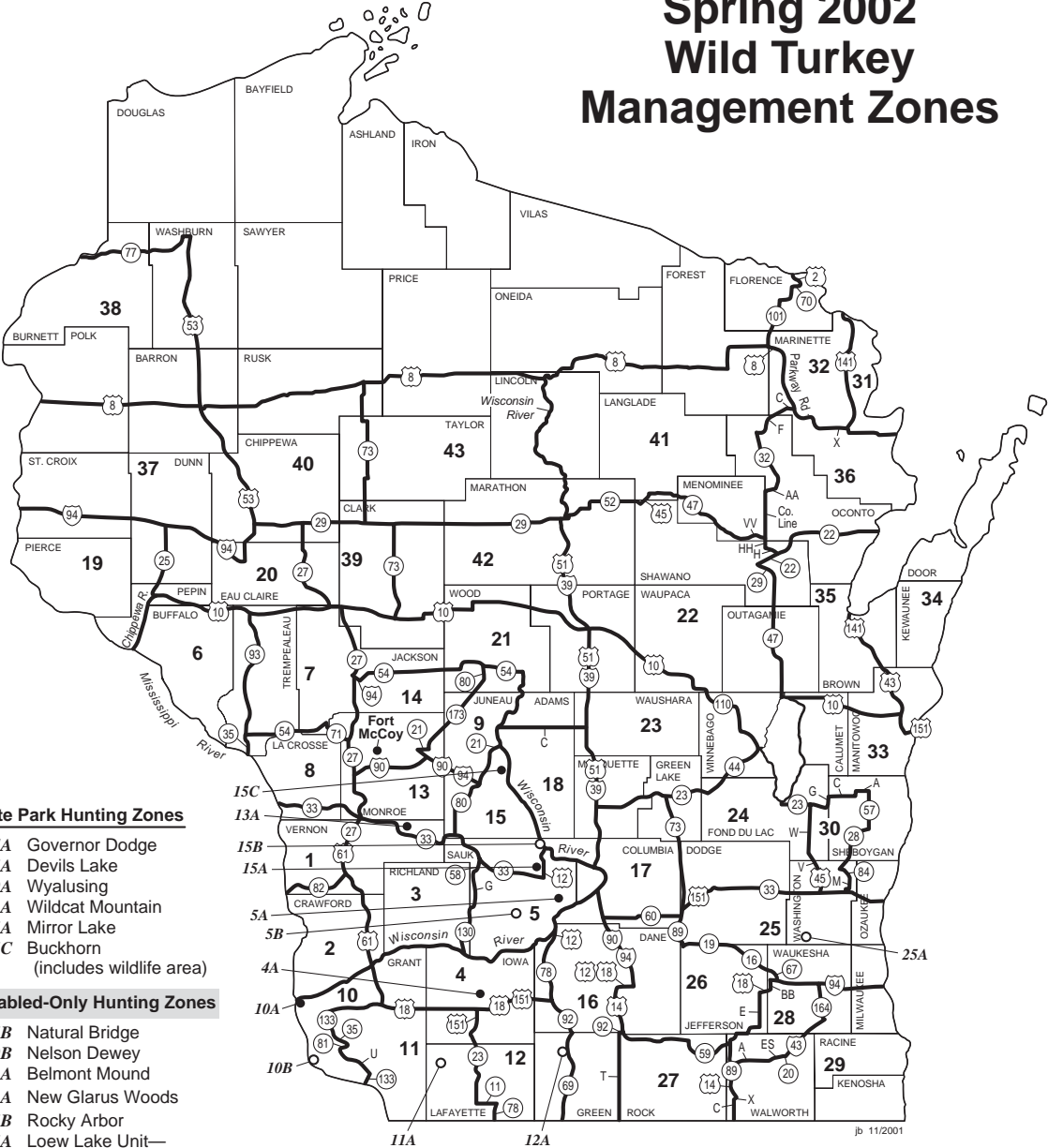


Spring 2002 Wild Turkey Management Zones



State Park Hunting Zones

- 4A Governor Dodge
- 5A Devils Lake
- 10A Wyalusing
- 13A Wildcat Mountain
- 15A Mirror Lake
- 15C Buckhorn (includes wildlife area)

Disabled-Only Hunting Zones

- 5B Natural Bridge
- 10B Nelson Dewey
- 11A Belmont Mound
- 12A New Glarus Woods
- 15B Rocky Arbor
- 25A Loew Lake Unit—Kettle Moraine State Forest*

* Contact the Pike Lake DNR office at 262-670-3400 to receive additional information on youth hunting opportunities in the Loew Lake Unit.

** To apply for Buckhorn Wildlife area B, choose Management Zone 15.
For more information regarding hunting at Buckhorn State Park, call 608-565-2789.

Focus on Safety

Hunt safely. Always identify your target
and follow the tips below.
Safe hunting is no accident.

- ◆ Be certain what you see or hear is a turkey—not a decoy or person.
- ◆ Do not wear red, blue or white—the color of a gobbler's head.
- ◆ Consider wearing blaze orange when moving from place to place.
- ◆ When another hunter approaches never wave, stand or sound a turkey call; use your voice or whistle instead.
- ◆ Avoid stalking turkeys. Use decoys with caution.
- ◆ Select calling or ambush sites with your back to a tree at least as wide as your shoulders and where you can see at least 40 yards in all directions.
- ◆ Never assume you are the only hunter in the woods.
- ◆ Be certain no one is positioned beyond the turkey you are shooting at.

Ask First and Say Thanks!

- ◆ The majority of land within Wisconsin's turkey management zones is privately owned. Wisconsin landowners appreciate hunters who ask permission to hunt and say thanks afterward. This builds important landowner-hunter trust. Remember, entering private lands without permission is unlawful and creates a bad image for all hunters.
- ◆ A Landowner Appreciation Day envelope is included with each turkey hunting permit. Please consider providing the owner of the property you hunt with a ticket to these banquets.

Questions?

Please contact the DNR Bureau of Wildlife Management at (608) 266-8204 with any questions you have relating to turkey management, quotas, or harvest.

For updated season & license information call the WI DNR Hunting License & Season Information Line at 1-800-282-0367.

New for 2002—On-line Convenience!

- ❖ Apply for your Spring & Fall turkey permits on-line!
- ❖ Purchase your licenses on-line!

Check out www.dnr.state.wi.us for details.



Wild Turkey Hunting Regulations Spring 2002



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Dear Turkey Hunter,

Thank you for being part of one of Wisconsin's greatest wildlife success stories! The turkey population continues to grow in Wisconsin thanks in large part to you. Please continue to help manage your turkeys correctly by registering turkeys you kill and completing all survey material.

Remember hunting turkeys over bait is **NOT legal** and can include a fine up to \$287 and a potential license revocation. Please help us to pass on the turkey-hunting tradition to the next generation. The future of hunting depends upon **you**. Have a safe and successful spring hunt!

Keith Warnke

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Turkey Program Coordinator

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Hunter Selection System

- ◆ Resident Landowners have first preference for 30% of the permits in each zone. Residents who did not receive a permit the previous year, have the next highest preference ranking followed by regular residents. Following residents are non-resident landowners and then regular non-residents. There is an attempt to issue a permit to all applicants, but those who restrict their choices to only the early hunting periods, may receive no permit while others who would accept permits for any time period, receive two. If permits remain after the first drawing, a second drawing is conducted to issue remaining tags.
- ◆ **Fort McCoy:** Applications for Fort McCoy spring turkey hunting permits may be obtained by calling 608-388-3337 or by writing to Fort McCoy, no earlier than February 1. Write to: Directorate of Training & Mobilization: AFRC-FM-TMR-B (Permit Sales); 110 E. Headquarters Rd.; Ft. McCoy WI 54656-5226. *Note: You may not apply for a Fort McCoy spring turkey permit if you already received approval to hunt turkeys in a Wisconsin turkey hunting zone for the spring 2002 season.*

License Requirements

- ◆ Successful applicants (except Conservation Patron and Senior Citizen Recreation Card holders) must purchase a Spring 2002 Turkey License, and 2002 Turkey Stamp Privilege to hunt turkeys with either firearm or bow. The 2002 Turkey Stamp privilege is valid for both the spring and fall seasons. Resident License—\$11.00, Non-Resident License—\$55.00, Turkey Stamp (privilege)—\$5.25
- ◆ Successful applicants are mailed a turkey hunting approval notice, registration stub and carcass tag indicating the zone and time period for which the hunter is authorized to hunt.
- ◆ Beginning in mid-March, residents and non-residents can purchase their license and stamp privilege at any DNR Service Center, ALIS License Agent, by calling toll-free 1-877-945-4236, or by going on-line at www.dnr.state.wi.us (you must use VISA or MC; there is a \$3.00 handling fee).

Turkey Stamp and Carcass Tag

- ◆ Due to the recent implementation of the Automated License Issuance System (ALIS), Turkey Stamp Privilege will be issued in lieu of actual Turkey Stamps. Proof or purchase of the Turkey Stamp Privilege will be printed on the turkey license. If you wish to receive an actual turkey stamp for a collection or for other reasons, these can be acquired at DNR Service Centers only.
- ◆ Hunters must have their turkey license(with stamp privilege), carcass tag, and registration stub in their possession while hunting.
- ◆ It is illegal to transfer a license, carcass tag, or stamp privilege, or allow their use by anyone else.

Baiting

- ◆ No person shall hunt by the aid of baiting or on or over a baited area where a person knows or reasonably should know that the area is or has been baited. A baited area is considered to be baited for 10 days after the complete removal of the bait. For more details refer to s. NR 10.12 (1)(h).

Special Hunts

- ◆ Loew Lake Unit Novice/Disabled Turkey Hunting: Spring turkey hunting is available for a limited number of first time and class A & C Disabled hunters. For information call (262) 670-3400 or write to: KMSF-Pike Lake, 3544 Kettle Moraine Rd., Hartford, WI 53027.
- ◆ Wild Turkey Hunting for People with Disabilities: Hunters applying for a class A or C permit are required to obtain permission from a landowner willing to sponsor a hunt and must meet all application requirements. For information or an application (forms 2300-271 and 2300-2712) please contact your local DNR Service Center or the assistant upland ecologist at (608) 266-8204, 101 S. Webster St., Box 7921, Madison WI 53707-7921.

Bag Limit

- ◆ The bag limit is one bearded or male turkey per tag issued. A bearded turkey is a turkey with a bristle-like appendage protruding from the upper part of the breast. **Note:** Turkeys with white plumage may be harvested and must be tagged in accordance with proper tagging procedures. **Note:** Applicants receiving 2 tags may harvest 2 turkeys on the same day *only if* both tags are for the same time period.

Other Restrictions

- ◆ You may not hunt turkeys:
 1. By any means other than a shotgun or muzzle-loading shotgun fired from the shoulder, or a bow and arrow.
 2. With shotshells loaded with shot **larger** than:
 - ✖ no. 2 steel
 - ✖ no. 4 lead or
 - ✖ other no. 4 non-steel shot
 3. With the aid of recorded bird calls or sounds, or electrically amplified imitations of bird calls or sounds.
 4. With the aid of dogs.
 5. With live decoys for the purposes of enticing turkeys.
 6. With the aid of bait.

SUPPORT ETHICAL RESPONSIBLE HUNTING

REPORT VIOLATIONS

CALL 1-800-847-9367

TOLL FREE ◆ STATEWIDE ◆ 24-HOUR ◆ CONFIDENTIAL

(THIS IS NOT AN INFORMATION NUMBER.)

Assisting Other Hunters

- ◆ You **must** possess a turkey hunting license, stamp and valid, unused carcass tag if you possess a firearm or bow *and*;
 - a) a turkey decoy or calling device, or
 - b) a member of your hunting party possesses a turkey decoy or calling device
- ◆ No license is required to call turkeys for another hunter if the caller does not possess a firearm or bow. However, a guide license is required if a fee is charged.

Tagging, Transport and Possession

- ◆ Upon killing a turkey, immediately validate the carcass tag by cutting the slit corresponding to the day of kill; then attach and seal the tag to the featherless part of the turkey’s leg.
- ◆ You may not carry by hand, possess or transport a turkey unless you have lawfully killed and tagged the turkey.

Registration

- ◆ Bring your tagged turkey and registration stub (attached to the carcass tag) to a designated registration station no later than 5:00 P.M. the day after it is killed. An additional registration tag will be attached to lawfully taken turkeys; keep this tag until the meat has been eaten.

Turkey Hunter Education

- ◆ Learn turkey biology and behavior, turkey hunting methods, regulations, safety precautions, landowner-hunter ethics, scoring trophy birds, and ideas on how to prepare your bird. These **FREE Turkey Hunting Education Clinics** will be held around the state during February and March and are sponsored by the Wisconsin DNR and the Wisconsin Chapter of the National Wild Turkey Federation. Plan on attending one in your area and either brush-up on your skills or learn new techniques to bag that elusive long-beard. Contact your local DNR office for a list of clinic dates, times and locations.

Into the Outdoors

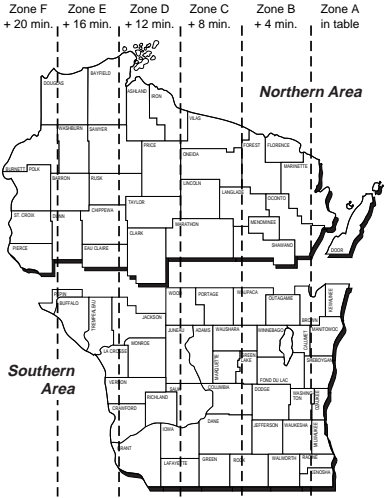
TV Show for Kids

Into the Outdoors is DNR’s Emmy Award winning TV show for kids. The half-hour program is hosted by kids who use the Internet to find other kids their age doing outdoor activities and learning about the environment. The show is linked to *EEK!*, DNR’s web site for kids, and airs on weekend mornings. See local TV listings for times and stations.

Hunting Hours

- ◆ Spring turkey hunting hours are from ½ hour before sunrise to 5:00 P.M. each day. Wisconsin’s hunting time zones are shown below.
- ◆ To determine the opening (A.M.) time for all zones except “A,” add the minutes shown (see map) to the Zone-A time listed in the table. The closing time for all zones is 5:00 P.M.

Hunting Hours Zones - Two Area system



Season Dates and Opening Times for Zone A Northern Hunting Time Zones.

① April 10 5:43 A.M.	③ April 24 5:19 A.M.	⑤ May 8 4:58 A.M.
April 11 5:41 A.M.	April 25 5:17 A.M.	May 9 4:56 A.M.
April 12 5:40 A.M.	April 26 5:15 A.M.	May 10 4:55 A.M.
April 13 5:38 A.M.	April 27 5:14 A.M.	May 11 4:54 A.M.
April 14 5:36 A.M.	April 28 5:12 A.M.	May 12 4:52 A.M.
② April 17 5:31 A.M.	④ May 1 5:08 A.M.	⑥ May 15 4:49 A.M.
April 18 5:29 A.M.	May 2 5:06 A.M.	May 16 4:48 A.M.
April 19 5:27 A.M.	May 3 5:05 A.M.	May 17 4:47 A.M.
April 20 5:25 A.M.	May 4 5:03 A.M.	May 18 4:45 A.M.
April 21 5:24 A.M.	May 5 5:02 A.M.	May 19 4:44 A.M.

Season Dates and Opening Times for Zone A Southern Hunting Time Zones.

① April 10 5:47 A.M.	③ April 24 5:24 A.M.	⑤ May 8 5:04 A.M.
April 11 5:45 A.M.	April 25 5:22 A.M.	May 9 5:03 A.M.
April 12 5:43 A.M.	April 26 5:21 A.M.	May 10 5:01 A.M.
April 13 5:42 A.M.	April 27 5:19 A.M.	May 11 5:00 A.M.
April 14 5:40 A.M.	April 28 5:18 A.M.	May 12 4:59 A.M.
② April 17 5:35 A.M.	④ May 1 5:13 A.M.	⑥ May 15 4:56 A.M.
April 18 5:33 A.M.	May 2 5:12 A.M.	May 16 4:55 A.M.
April 19 5:32 A.M.	May 3 5:10 A.M.	May 17 4:54 A.M.
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April 21 5:28 A.M.	May 5 5:08 A.M.	May 19 4:52 A.M.